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STATE MINING & GEOLOGY BOARD

DEPARTMENT OF CONSERVATION





RESULTS

THE STATE MINING AND GEOLOGY BOARD

Will hold a Regular Business Meeting on:

September 12, 2002

10:00 A.M.

(or immediately following the conclusion of the Surface Mining Standards Committee Meeting that commences at 9:00 A.M.)

Department of Consumer Affairs 400 R Street, 1st Floor Hearing Room Sacramento, CA

AGENDA

(NOTE: Times are approximate. The Chairman may alter the hearing start time or agenda Item order during the meeting)

Call to Order (Jones)
Roll Call and Declaration of a Quorum

Consent (Action)

1. Approval of Minutes, July 11, 2002 Regular Business Meeting Minutes Approved as Submitted

Reports (Information)

Department of Conservation

Director's Report (Young)

State Mining and Geology Board

- Chairman's Report (Jones)
- Executive Officer's Report (Parrish)
 - Selection of Contractors to Perform Mine Inspections and Environmental Reviews
- Geohazards Committee (Ramirez)
- Inter-Board Committee (Tepel)
- Mineral and Geologic Resources (Griego)
- Policy & Legislation (Jones)
- Surface Mining Standards (Baca)
- Board's Legal Counsel (Cunningham)

Mission of the State Mining and Geology Board is to Represent the State's Interest in the Development, Utilization and Conservation of Mineral Resources; Reclamation of Mined Lands; Development of Geologic and Seismic Hazard Information; and to Provide a Forum for Public Redress

Continued Business

 Adoption of Board's Surface Mine Inspection Guidelines to Assist Department of Conservation and SMGB Staffs in Carrying Out the Requirements of PRC Section 2774 (b) of SMARA.

staff report

Revisions Requested, Action Deferred to future Board Meeting

 Determinination of Adequacy of Corrective Measures, and Acceptance of Revised Financial Assurance Cost Estimate, Garnet Pit, CA Mine ID # 91-33-0031, Granite Construction Company, Operator; City of Palm Springs

staff report

Action Deferred to future Board Meeting

New Business

4. Hearing of an Order to Comply Issued July 11, 2002, to Diamond Quarry, CA Mine ID # 91-09-0003, Loring Brunius, Owner & Operator; El Dorado County, for Failure to Correct Mine Site Conditions Not in Compliance with the Approved Reclamation Plan

staff report

Order to Comply Upheld

5. Hearing of an Order to Cease and Desist All Surface Mining Operations Issued July 11, 2002, to Diamond Quarry, CA Mine ID #91-09-0003, Loring Brunius, Owner & Operator, El Dorado County, for Failure to Provide a Financial Assurance in Sufficient Amount and Acceptable Instrument to Reclaim the Diamond Quarry in Accordance with the Requirements of the Quarry's Approved Reclamation Plan

staff report

Order to Cease and Desist Upheld

 Issuance of Administrative Penalty to Eureka Slate Quarry, CA Mine ID # 91-09-0007, Rand Ferriera, Operator, El Dorado County, Pursuant to PRC Section 2774.1, for Failure to Provide a Reclamation Plan and Financial Assurance in Accordance with the Requirements of SMARA.

staff report

Administrative Penalty Issued

7. Issuance of an Order to Comply to Oat Hill Quarry, CA Mine ID # 91-28-0002, Napa-Vallejo Waste Management Authority, City of American Canyon, for Failure to Correct Mine Site Conditions Not in Compliance with the Approved Reclamation Plan, and for Failure to Provide a Financial Assurance Instrument in the Amount of \$253,380.

staff report

Order to Comply Issued

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8. Acceptance of Financial Assurance Cost Estimate for Marin Quarry, CA Mine ID # 91-09-0015, Sierra Pacific Industries, El Dorado County.

staff report

Cost Estimate Modified and Accepted, Financial Assurance Required w/in 30 Days

 Review of Status of Chile Bar Mine Reclamation Plan Preparation and Approval of an Interim Financial Assuarance Amount, CA Mine ID # 91-09-0004, El Dorado County, as Recommended by the Surface Mining Standards Committee staff report

Modifying Committee Recommendations, Board Approved \$150,000 Interim Financial Assurance Required and due w/in 30 Days

10. Aproval of a Mitigated Negative Declaration for a Revised Reclamation Plan for Lawyer Pit, Archie's Trucking and Backhoe, Inc., CA Mine ID # 91-09-0012, El Dorado County, as Recommended by the Surface Mining Standards Committee.

staff report

Action Deferred until future Board meeting

11. Approval of a Revised Reclamation Plan and Financial Assurance Amount for Lawyer Pit, Archie's Trucking and Backhoe, Inc., CA Mine ID # 91-09-0012, El Dorado County, as Recommended by the Surface Mining Standards Committee.

staff report

Reclamation Plan Action Deferred, \$64,081 Financial Assurance approved and due w/in 30 days

12. Acceptance of Final Inspection Report for Linda Sand and Gravel, CA Mine ID # 91-58-0005, R. J. Wood, Operator, Yuba County

staff report

Final Inspection Report Accepted

13. Initial Review of the City of Irwindale's Performance as a Lead Agency Under SMARA

staff report

Further Review and Report Update to be Presented at Future Board meeting

14. Acceptance of Petition for Mineral Land Classification for the Handley Ranch Aggregate Resource Area, Granite Construction, Petitioner, as Recommended by the State Geologist.

staff report

Acceptance of Petition Application Withdrawn

15. **PUBLIC HEARING**. Pursuant to PRC Section 2696 (b) and CCR Section 3723 (a), a hearing will be conducted to receive public comments and recommendations for the Preliminary Seismic Hazard Maps Specific to the Areas Encompassed in the Fillmore, Ojai, Piru, Pitas Point, Saticoy, Oxnard (revised) Quadrangles in Ventura County; Val Verde Quadrangle in Los

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Angeles and Ventura Counties; and, Santiago Peak Quadrangle in Orange County.

No comments received at hearing

Good of the Meeting

(This time is scheduled to provide the public with an opportunity to address non-agenda items. Those wishing to speak on a particular item shoud do so at this time. Speakers are limited to three (3) minutes except by special consent of the Chairman)

Melissa Vargas & Ray Oliva voiced concerns about the Garden Valley Aggregate's recent Reclamation Plan approval

Executive Session (Closed to the Public)

(The Board will discuss information from its legal counsel on pending litigation and may take appropriate actions based on this information. This session is being held under Government Code Section 11126 and PRC Section 2778.) Items to be discussed are:

- a) Raney vs. SMGB, Case # SCVSS69392, San Bernardino Superior Court
- b) Calvert, et al vs. SMGB et al, Case # OOCS01434, Sacramento Superior Court
- Loring Brunius vs. SMGB, Case # PC 20010449, El Dorado County
- d) An un-named case where there is potentially significant exposure to litigation against the Board.

Reopen Regular Business Session, Announce Results of Executive Session

Results announced, no actions were taken

Announcements and Adjournment

**A LUNCH BREAK WILL BE TAKEN AT NOON **

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NOTE: A CLOSED SESSION MAY BE CALLED BY THE CHAIRMAN TO DISCUSS LITIGATION AND OTHER PRIVILEGED ATTORNEY/CLIENT COMMUNICATIONS BY AUTHORITY OF GOVERNMENT CODE §11126(q) AND <u>SACRAMENTO NEWSPAPER GUILD vs. SACRAMENTO COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS [1968] 266(b) CAL. APP. 2nd, 41; BASIS OF "LITIGATION" EXCEPTION IS THE ATTORNEY/CLIENT PRIVILEGE.</u>

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